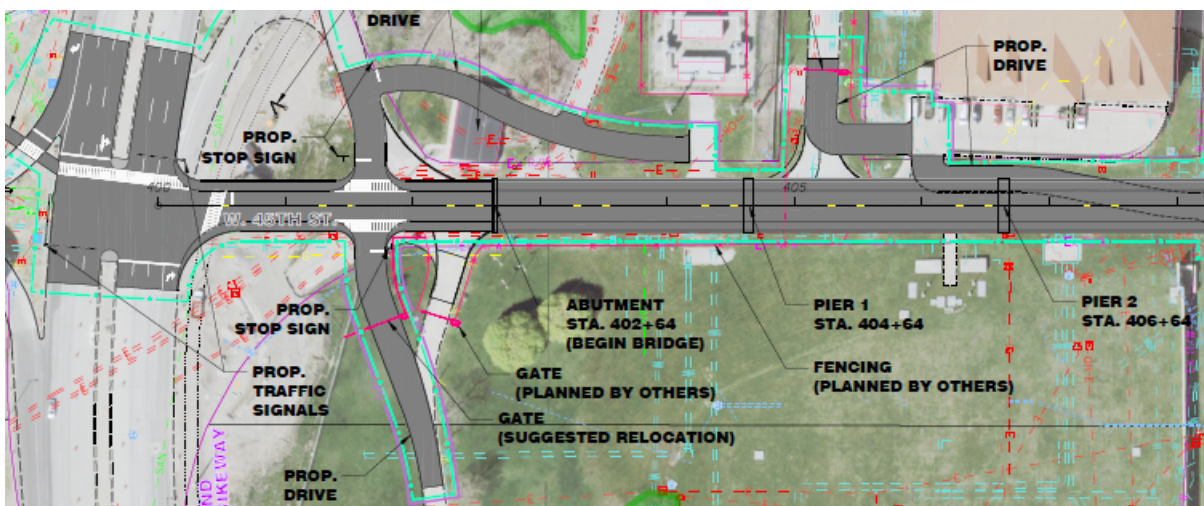


SOUTH WHISKEY ISLAND ACCESS FEASIBILITY STUDY

UPDATED TRAFFIC ANALYSIS

Feasibility Study Update:

- After the public meeting held on November 12, 2019, the feasibility study has progressed and the need for a more refined traffic analysis was identified to ensure alternatives would meet federal funding criteria for traffic performance.
- ODOT took new traffic counts on and near the Shoreway in June 2019 (after much of the initial traffic analysis had been performed). Given the new, relevant counts as well as counts on the Willow Lift Bridge performed by the City of Cleveland, the traffic models were rerun with the current data.
- The updated traffic analysis for the New Fixed Bridge at West 45th Street Alternative (Exhibit A) shows that the proposed traffic signal would increase traffic congestion on the Shoreway and result in the lowest Level of Service (LOS) of F, making it ineligible for state or federal funding.
- Since the funding of a \$60 to \$100 million dollar project by City of Cleveland and local resources alone is not feasible, **the New Fixed Bridge at West 45th Street alternative will be removed from consideration.**
- There are four (4) remaining eligible alternatives: Existing Willow Lift Bridge Rehabilitation, New Lift Bridge Adjacent to Existing, New Bascule Bridge at Mulberry Avenue, and New Fixed Bridge at State Street (Exhibits B to E).
- Eligible alternatives will be compared using Multi Criteria Decision Analysis (MCDA) and the recommended alternative will be used to apply for funding. The recommended alternative must have an acceptable LOS, defined as D or greater for federal funding purposes.



New Fixed Bridge at West 45th Street Alternative,
Detail of Proposed Traffic Signal at West 45th/Shoreway (Level of Service = F)

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Updated Traffic Analysis Highlights for West 45th Street Alternative:

- The alternative consists of a half-mile long, fixed bridge from the Shoreway to South Whiskey Island, aligned with the West 45th Street exit off the Shoreway. The bridge is approximately 100 feet high over the Morgan Water Treatment Plant, Great Lakes Towing and the Cuyahoga River Old Channel. These are some of its main features:
 - A new signalized intersection at W. 45th Street on the Shoreway allowing for southbound left-turn movement to head east on the Shoreway and for a pedestrian crossing across the Shoreway.
 - Modifications to the Herman Avenue ramp along the westbound Shoreway to provide access to the new extension of West 45th Street.
 - All traffic currently using the Willow Lift Bridge would divert to the Shoreway and exit at the new West 45th Street ramp. Traffic returning from South Whiskey Island would access at West 45th Street directly onto the Shoreway.
- The results of the updated traffic analysis confirmed that signaling West 45th Street at the Shoreway will increase congestion in the area.
 - The Whiskey Island Access would operate at LOS F during the AM and PM peaks. From a traffic standpoint, stopping traffic on the Shoreway creates queues and delays outside of an acceptable range (LOS D or better).
 - The signalized intersection would only work at an acceptable level if traffic on the Shoreway in the peak direction were reduced:
 - In the morning, traffic would have to be reduced by 24% or 1,050 vehicles
 - In the evening, traffic would have to be reduced by 12% or 550 vehicles
- If the signal were to be installed, Shoreway traffic would experience delays calculated at 162 seconds in the morning, and 102 seconds in the evening. Commuter traffic would seek other local routes to avoid the Shoreway. Assuming traffic would reconfigure itself to an acceptable level at the new signal, from 550 to 1,050 commuter vehicles would inject into the local street network, impacting safety and speeds through the neighborhoods

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Cleveland mayor shuts public out of debate over Willow Ave. Bridge replacement

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CLEVELAND, Ohio — [Katherine Thorpe](#), an eight-year resident at the [Lakeview Estates](#) public housing complex in the Ohio City neighborhood, feels personally disrespected by Cleveland Mayor Frank Jackson.

“Completely and utterly disrespected,” she said.

That’s because the Jackson administration quietly announced in July without any opportunity for public feedback that it had eliminated what Thorpe and others on the city’s West Side feel is the best solution for redirecting industrial truck traffic out of the Lakeview area.

At issue is whether the city will repair or replace the 56-year-old Willow Avenue Lift Bridge, which is “nearing the end of its design life” according to the city, and which provides the only connection between landlocked industries on the south side of the Whiskey Island peninsula highways south of the old channel of the Cuyahoga River. The decision on the bridge will have huge consequences for residents of Lakeview, an historical early modern public housing complex, built in 1937.

Buried news

Yet the Jackson administration buried its announcement in a news release sent via email at 8:30 p.m. on Wednesday, July 22, under a headline saying, “Coronavirus & Safety – Update #143.”

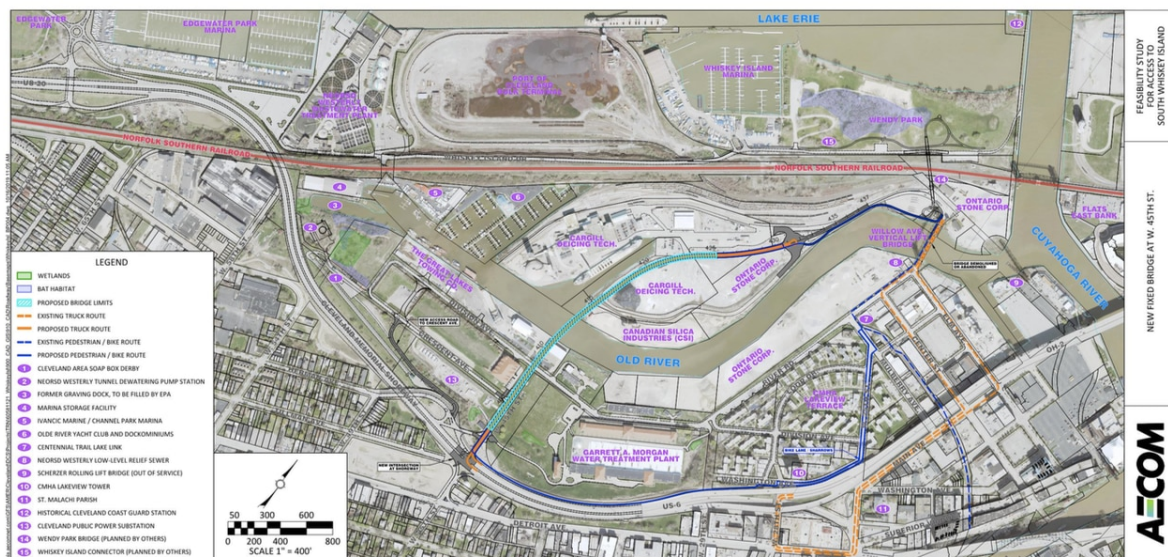
The release said that the city had eliminated one of five options for replacing the bridge, which is used by trucks traveling to and from Whiskey Island properties owned by companies including Ontario Stone, a crushed stone supplier, and Cargill Deicing Technology, which operates a salt mine beneath Lake Erie.

As the trucks rumble through streets around the Lakeview complex to reach highways, they spread fumes and stir up dust that gets into residents' apartments and lungs.

Dust also blows off dunes of limestone gravel on Ontario Stone's property on the south side of the old river channel, immediately northwest of River Road and the north side of the Lakeview complex.

Lakeview has been a glaring example of environmental injustice for decades. Thorpe, a blogger and podcaster, is all too familiar with the bad air. Her children — stuck at home this summer because of the coronavirus pandemic — have had to spend more time breathing dust from trucks and the piles of crushed stone. Her 11-year-old son's asthma has worsened.

"It's a hazard to their health," she said, "because the air quality is crap."



A detail of a map prepared by AECOM shows the option for replacing the Willow Avenue Bridge that the administration of Mayor Frank Jackson rejected without giving the public or City Council a chance to comment. Steven Litt, Cleveland.com

The now eliminated option of replacing the Willow Avenue Bridge called for building a span over the old river channel a quarter mile west of Lakeview at West 45th Street, cutting through the city's Garrett A. Morgan Waterworks Facility. This would have removed at least some of the truck traffic from Lakeview.

Rejected option

But a June 19 city report attached to the July 22 news release said that a bridge at West 45th Street, which would be connected to the Ohio 2 West Shoreway, with an intersection and a traffic light, would cause delays and congestion on the regional commuting route, making the \$60 million to \$100 million project ineligible for federal funding.

The remaining alternatives include:

- Rehabbing the existing bridge.
- Building a lift bridge adjacent to the existing one.
- Building a bascule drawbridge at Mulberry Avenue, next to the northeast corner of Lakeview Estates
- Building a bridge crossing the old river channel at State Street, between the west edge of Lakeview and the east edge of the Garrett Morgan plant.

Removing the West 45th Street alternative without any chance for the public to question the city's conclusions seems dead wrong to Thorpe.

The 36-year-old mother of three boys aged 11, 8, and nearly 2, said she feels that the Jackson administration thinks she and other public housing residents are not worthy of participating in big decisions that affect them.

"It makes it seem like I'm not intelligent enough to have a rational, logical, meaningful opinion about the situation," she said.

The city's handling of the issue is an example of how it's doing the bare minimum when it comes to engaging the public as it plans critical pieces of transportation infrastructure.

Uneven involvement

This is not the case with broader planning studies run by the city's Planning Department, headed by Freddy Collier. Examples include [Vision for the Valley](#), a yearlong project to resolve land use conflicts between industry, housing, recreation and entertainment in the Flats, the flood plain flanking the Cuyahoga River.

Vision for the Valley offered plenty of chances for feedback. But observers say road construction and other projects including the Willow Avenue Bridge, managed through the Mayor's Office of Capital Projects, or MOCAP, treat public participation in a perfunctory manner, often allowing input when it's too late to have any impact.

The office is directed by Matthew Spronz, but responsibility ultimately rests with his boss, the mayor.

The city provided factual information about the Willow Avenue Bridge in response to questions emailed by [cleveland.com](#), but declined to provide an interview with Spronz, to describe the schedule for its decision-making process, or to say whether the public would have another chance to comment.

"Public involvement is always a part of all major capital improvement projects by the City," the administration said in its email.

Yet Councilmen Matt Zone and Kerry McCormack, representing wards 15 and 3, respectively, said two weeks ago they were [blindsided](#) by the July 22 announcement about the Willow Avenue Bridge.

Last week, McCormack said he's still waiting to hear about whether the city will follow up on concerns he and Zone have raised.

Missing a chance?

The need to repair or replace the Willow Avenue Bridge represents a [once-in-a-generation](#) chance to fix the air quality problems at Lakeview, they said.

Furthermore, they said that any decision should be made in coordination with the Vision for the Valley study, and with an upcoming project by the Cuyahoga Metropolitan Housing Authority (CMHA) to create a new master plan for the future of Lakeview Estates.

But while the administration and its consultant on the Willow Avenue Bridge project, the Cleveland engineering firm of AECOM, have analyzed nearly 40 alternatives over the past year, they held [just one public meeting](#) on the topic last November, on short notice, at St. Paul's Community Church on Franklin Avenue.

The air quality predicament at Lakeview, where a majority of residents are Black, appears to be a clear example of systemic racism in city planning, but it didn't start out that way.

Housing amid industry

When it was built in 1937, Lakeview was an all-white project because CMHA segregated residents racially at the time. Also, the complex placed residents next to an existing industrial zone along the old river channel. It wasn't the case that the city decided to allow industry to move in after the housing.



1939 An aerial photograph of the Lakeview Terrace public housing development taken 2 years after construction completed. Steven Litt, Cleveland.com

Ontario Stone moved its business to the old river channel and Whiskey Island in the late 1960s, and has followed environmental regulations assiduously, said company Vice President Marc Barricelli.

Zone and McCormack suggested the possibility of moving the company to another location along the Cuyahoga, but Barricelli said he doubts another location would be available or viable.

But like everyone else affected by the Willow Avenue Bridge debate, Barricelli said he feels cut out of the loop by the city. Some of the options for replacing the bridge show routes passing across the company's land, but "nobody even mentioned anything about taking our property," he said.

Cleveland Metroparks was far more forthcoming when it worked with Ontario Stone recently to plan a new, \$6 million [bike and pedestrian bridge](#) across the company's property to create a shortcut to Wendy Park on Whiskey Island.

“It actually has been a very agreeable relationship with them,” Barricelli said.

There’s no reason why the city can’t meet the same standard on the question of the Willow Avenue Bridge. Everyone involved, from Ontario Stone to the councilmen and Katherine Thorpe and her neighbors, deserves no less.

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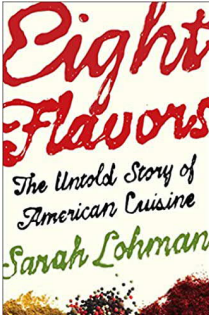
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Concerned Citizen

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From: Jake Barshick <jbarshick@gmail.com>
Sent: Saturday, August 22, 2020 10:59 PM
To: mayorsactioncenter@city.cleveland.oh.us; rswitalski@city.cleveland.oh.us; MSpronz@city.cleveland.oh.us; FCollier@city.cleveland.oh.us; Marinucci, Angela <Angela.Marinucci@aecom.com>; DBrown@city.cleveland.oh.us
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Cc: Matthew Zone <mzone@clevelandcitycouncil.org>; Jacob VanSickle <jacob@bikecleveland.org>; Jenny Spencer <jspencer@dscdo.org>; Ashley Shaw <ashaw@ohiocity.org>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Willow Ave Lift Bridge - It's a Social Justice Issue

Dear Mayor Jackson and City Planning Representatives,

In late November, I and many others attended a community meeting about the future of the Willow Avenue Lift Bridge. There was a vibrant discussion about the issues surrounding the industrial truck traffic that traverses the neighborhood and how the project to replace/reroute the decaying structure could also serve to address a long standing injustice for the residents of Lakeview Estates. In addition to the construction of freeways that have served to cut Lakeview off from the rest of the neighborhood, decades of industrial traffic have contributed to environmental and health problems for residents. Some of those in attendance described the toxic dust, truck fumes, vibrations, and noise that have plagued their lives for generations.

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Back up your resolution declaring racism as a public health crisis with real action. Show the next generation of residents at Lakeview Estates and all of us here on the Near West Side that you did everything you could to find a solution that will positively impact a neighborhood that has been neglected for too long.

Thank you for your time and attention,

Jamye Jamison
Detroit Shoreway Resident
Member of the Vision Zero Design/Engineering Subcommittee

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From: sarah jones <sej3470@yahoo.com>
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Sincerely,

Sarah E. Jones
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Cleveland, OH 44113

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Concerned Citizen

Chris Sledzik
m: 330-687-8807

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Sent: Friday, August 21, 2020 9:05 PM
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Thank you,

Dr. Jennifer C. Hovis
Ohio City

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Resolute Citizen

Shaun Cecil

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A concerned Cleveland citizen,
Trevor Pollack

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Concerned Citizen,
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Subject: FW: [EXTERNAL] Bridge to a more just future

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Subject: [EXTERNAL] Bridge to a more just future

The Honorable Frank G. Jackson
City of Cleveland
601 Lakeside Avenue
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Cleveland, OH 44114
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Hope Peace Joy and Love
Doug

"Faithfulness lives where love is stronger than instinct." Paul Carvel, 20th century

Subject: FW: News 5 Media Inquiry- Willow Avenue Lift Bridge

From: Jarvis, Jade <Jade.Jarvis@WEWS.COM>
Sent: Friday, August 21, 2020 1:21 PM
To: Hunter, Latoya <LHunter@city.cleveland.oh.us>
Cc: Mayors Action Center <Mayorsactioncenter@city.cleveland.oh.us>; Switalski, Richard <RSwitalski@city.cleveland.oh.us>; Spronz, Matthew <MSpronz@city.cleveland.oh.us>; Collier, Freddy <FCollier@city.cleveland.oh.us>; Marinucci, Angela <Angela.Marinucci@aecom.com>; Brown, Darnell <DBrown@city.cleveland.oh.us>; Kelsey, Nancy <nkelsey@city.cleveland.oh.us>; WEWS NewsDesk <wewsnewsdesk@scripps.com>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Re: News 5 Media Inquiry- Willow Avenue Lift Bridge

Hi Latoya,

Thanks for your response. Looking forward to hearing from you regarding the statement.

Best,

Jade Jarvis
News 5 | Reporter

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Subject: Re: News 5 Media Inquiry- Willow Avenue Lift Bridge

[EXTERNAL SENDER]

Hi Jade,

Thanks for reaching out. We will review your inquiry and let you know if a statement can be provided.

Latoya

Sent from my iPhone

On Aug 21, 2020, at 11:49 AM, Jarvis, Jade <Jade.Jarvis@wews.com> wrote:

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Hello,

My name is Jade Jarvis and I'm a reporter at News 5. Today, we're doing a follow-up story regarding the Willow Avenue lift bridge and the concerns about truck traffic in the area.

We understand that last year there was a public meeting where residents could give their input about how to approach the replacement of that bridge. Many residents of nearby Lakeview Estates are concerned about the amount of truck traffic traveling across the bridge. They say its noisy, disruptive, and dangerous. Many of them liked an option to build a bridge extending from the Shoreway at W. 45th. But months after that meeting, the city released this updated traffic analysis rejecting and removing that option from consideration because it would increase traffic congestion on the Shoreway: https://clecityhall.files.wordpress.com/2020/07/2020-jun19_whiskey-island-new-fixed-bridge-at-45th-fact-sheet_draft.pdf [clecityhall.files.wordpress.com]

Members of Ohio City Inc. tell us that traffic analysis was buried in a press announcement along with other materials, so they weren't aware of it until a few weeks ago. I also just spoke with Councilman Kerry McCormack who says he also wasn't aware until a few weeks ago. He says he's since met with city officials about the matter and will not support any plan that doesn't move truck traffic out of the area.

Is anyone from the city available to do a interview regarding this matter? If not, can a statement be provided? This story is set to air at 4pm.

Best,

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Concerned Citizen

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3018 Clinton Ave.
Cleveland, OH 44113

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Margaret Latch

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From: Ayat Amin <ayat@theopportunityexchange.com>
Sent: Friday, August 21, 2020 11:00 AM
To: Mayorsactioncenter@city.cleveland.oh.us; RSwitalski@city.cleveland.oh.us; MSpronz@city.cleveland.oh.us; FCollier@city.cleveland.oh.us; Marinucci, Angela <Angela.Marinucci@aeocom.com>; DBrown@city.cleveland.oh.us
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To: Mayorsactioncenter@city.cleveland.oh.us; RSwitalski@city.cleveland.oh.us; MSpronz@city.cleveland.oh.us; FCollier@city.cleveland.oh.us; Marinucci, Angela <Angela.Marinucci@aecom.com>; DBrown@city.cleveland.oh.us
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Katie Keane
1237 Washington Avenue resident

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From: Norberto E Huertas <huertas.norberto@gmail.com>
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To: Mayorsactioncenter@city.cleveland.oh.us; RSwitalski@city.cleveland.oh.us; MSpronz@city.cleveland.oh.us; FCollier@city.cleveland.oh.us; Marinucci, Angela <Angela.Marinucci@aecom.com>; DBrown@city.cleveland.oh.us
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From: Kristen Rodak <rodak.4@gmail.com>
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Margaret Breloff
Resident

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From: Erika Jaenke <ejjaenke@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, August 21, 2020 8:16 AM
To: Mayorsactioncenter@city.cleveland.oh.us; RSwitalski@city.cleveland.oh.us; MSpronz@city.cleveland.oh.us; FCollier@city.cleveland.oh.us; Marinucci, Angela <Angela.Marinucci@aecom.com>; DBrown@city.cleveland.oh.us
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Erika Durham

Sent from my iPhone

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From: Casey Olyer <yesac1221@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, August 21, 2020 8:02 AM
To: Mayorsactioncenter@city.cleveland.oh.us; RSwitalski@city.cleveland.oh.us; MSpronz@city.cleveland.oh.us; FCollier@city.cleveland.oh.us; Marinucci, Angela <Angela.Marinucci@aeom.com>; 2020DBrown@city.cleveland.oh.us
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From: Tim Walters <trane22043@yahoo.com>
Sent: Friday, August 21, 2020 7:47 AM
To: RSwitalski@city.cleveland.oh.us; MSpronz@city.cleveland.oh.us; FCollier@city.cleveland.oh.us; Marinucci, Angela <Angela.Marinucci@aecom.com>; DBrown@city.cleveland.oh.us; mayorsactioncenter@city.cleveland.oh.us
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Member
St. Paul's Community Church
4427 Franklin

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From: Al & Beth Mancuso <albethfam@sbcglobal.net>
Sent: Thursday, August 20, 2020 2:23 PM
To: RSwitalski@city.cleveland.oh.us; MSpronz@city.cleveland.oh.us; FCollier@city.cleveland.oh.us; Marinucci, Angela <Angela.Marinucci@aecom.com>; DBrown@city.cleveland.oh.us; mayorsactioncenter@city.cleveland.oh.us
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Beth Mancuso
2037 West 45th St
Cleveland, Oh 44102

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Concerned Citizen
Ward 3
Alec Pack

Subject: FW: [EXTERNAL] Willow Ave Lift Bridge and Lakeview Terrace

From: Loren Shumaker <lorendshumaker@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, August 20, 2020 11:50 PM
To: Mayorsactioncenter@city.cleveland.oh.us; RSwitalski@city.cleveland.oh.us; MSpronz@city.cleveland.oh.us; FCollier@city.cleveland.oh.us; Marinucci, Angela <Angela.Marinucci@aecom.com>; DBrown@city.cleveland.oh.us
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Mayor Jackson,

I am a resident of Ohio City who has just learned about the decision to remove critical options in the plans to replace or repair the Willow Avenue Lift Bridge. We have a rare chance to correct an injustice that has long been in need of a correction. If we fail at this moment, we may doom decades of future residents of the Lakeview Terraces homes to future injustices.

Copied below is a letter I am co-signing with fellow residents about our concerns. Please consider these important points and correct this problem while we still have a chance.

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Loren Shumaker-Chupp
4406 Bridge Ave, #1
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Sent: Thursday, August 20, 2020 11:10 PM
To: Mayorsactioncenter@city.cleveland.oh.us; RSwitalski@city.cleveland.oh.us; MSpronz@city.cleveland.oh.us; FCollier@city.cleveland.oh.us; Marinucci, Angela <Angela.Marinucci@aecom.com>; DBrown@city.cleveland.oh.us
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Cc: kmccormack@clevelandcitycouncil.org; Matthew Zone <mzone@clevelandcitycouncil.org>
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Greetings. Please accept this letter as my support of all the concerns expressed within. As a long-time employee in the Ohio City neighborhood I have heard countless concerns and complaints regarding this very subject. I urge you to take these concerns seriously and address them immediately and appropriately, with the health and safety of residents utmost in mind. Thank you.

[August 20, 2020](#)

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[Angela Guinther](#)
[Cleveland resident](#)

[from Yahoo Mail on Android](#)

Subject: FW: [EXTERNAL] 2.5 Minutes Please to Fight Systemic Racism

From: Aumaine Rose Smith <aumainerosesmith@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, August 20, 2020 10:37 PM
To: Mayorsactioncenter@city.cleveland.oh.us
Cc: RSwitalski@city.cleveland.oh.us; MSpronz@city.cleveland.oh.us; FCollier@city.cleveland.oh.us; Marinucci, Angela <Angela.Marinucci@aecom.com>; DBrown@city.cleveland.oh.us
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Concerned Citizen,
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From: Sarah Cate <slc70@case.edu>
Sent: Thursday, August 20, 2020 9:33 PM
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Please hear us all and allow us to voice our concerns regarding limiting truck traffic so that we can work on improving air quality and health for all of us who live in the area.

Thank you for your time and consideration in this matter.

Sincerely,
Sarah C - concerned resident of the near west side of Cleveland

Subject: FW: [EXTERNAL] Willow Ave. lift bridge

From: Christine Jindra <cjindra@gmail.com>

Sent: Thursday, August 20, 2020 9:05 PM

To: Mayorsactioncenter@city.cleveland.oh.us; RSwitalski@city.cleveland.oh.us; MSpronz@city.cleveland.oh.us; FCollier@city.cleveland.oh.us; Marinucci, Angela <Angela.Marinucci@aecom.com>; DBrown@city.cleveland.oh.us

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Concerned Citizen

Christine Jindra
1714 Randall Road
Cleveland, OH 44113

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From: Rose Donohoo <rosedonohoo@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, August 20, 2020 8:47 PM
To: Mayorsactioncenter@city.cleveland.oh.us; RSwitalski@city.cleveland.oh.us; MSpronz@city.cleveland.oh.us; FCollier@city.cleveland.oh.us; Marinucci, Angela <Angela.Marinucci@aecom.com>; DBrown@city.cleveland.oh.us
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Thank you,
Rose Donohoo, DS Resident

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From: BILL MERRIMAN <billmerriman@sbcglobal.net>
Sent: Thursday, August 20, 2020 2:43 PM
To: Marinucci, Angela <Angela.Marinucci@aecom.com>
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Bill Merriman

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Sent: Thursday, August 20, 2020 8:20 PM
To: Mayorsactioncenter@city.cleveland.oh.us; RSwitalski@city.cleveland.oh.us; MSpronz@city.cleveland.oh.us; FCollier@city.cleveland.oh.us; Marinucci, Angela <Angela.Marinucci@aecom.com>; DBrown@city.cleveland.oh.us
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From: Paula Kampf <ruahkampf@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, August 20, 2020 7:45 PM
To: Mayorsactioncenter@city.cleveland.oh.us; RSwitalski@city.cleveland.oh.us; Spronz, Matthew <MSpronz@city.cleveland.oh.us>; FCollier@city.cleveland.oh.us; Marinucci, Angela <Angela.Marinucci@aecom.com>; Brown, Darnell <DBrown@city.cleveland.oh.us>
Cc: Kerry McCormack <kmccormack@clevelandcitycouncil.org>; Matthew Zone <mzone@clevelandcitycouncil.org>; Jenny Spencer <jspencer@dscdo.org>; Tom McNair <tmcnair@ohiocity.org>; Whitnye Long Jones <wlongjones@ohiocity.org>; Chad Biggers <CBiggers@nearwestsafety.org>; Franklin Clinton Block Club <franklinclintonbc@gmail.com>
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From: Sarah Young <sarah.whitman.young@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, August 20, 2020 7:32 PM
To: Mayorsactioncenter@city.cleveland.oh.us; RSwitalski@city.cleveland.oh.us; MSpronz@city.cleveland.oh.us; FCollier@city.cleveland.oh.us; Marinucci, Angela <Angela.Marinucci@aecom.com>; DBrown@city.cleveland.oh.us
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2045 W. 41st St.

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From: Amy McKenna <amymcke1@yahoo.com>
Sent: Thursday, August 20, 2020 7:01 PM
To: Mayorsactioncenter@city.cleveland.oh.us; RSwitalski@city.cleveland.oh.us; MSpronz@city.cleveland.oh.us; FCollier@city.cleveland.oh.us; Marinucci, Angela <Angela.Marinucci@aecom.com>; DBrown@city.cleveland.oh.us
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Concerned Citizen
Amy McKenna
Sent from my iPhone

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From: SCOTT GODWIN <zenstyle@sbcglobal.net>
Sent: Thursday, August 20, 2020 6:49 PM
To: Mayorsactioncenter@city.cleveland.oh.us; RSwitalski@city.cleveland.oh.us; MSpronz@city.cleveland.oh.us; FCollier@city.cleveland.oh.us; Marinucci, Angela <Angela.Marinucci@aecom.com>; DBrown@city.cleveland.oh.us
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Scott Godwin

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Sent: Thursday, August 20, 2020 6:36 PM
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From: Mitsi Wagner <ohgofinno@aol.com>
Sent: Thursday, August 20, 2020 6:24 PM
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Mitsi Wagner
Precinct Committee4 Person, Ward 3 d
1439 West 38th Street
Cleveland 4411e
216-772-6578

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From: Andrew Lang <andrewlang23@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, August 20, 2020 4:57 PM
To: Mayorsactioncenter@city.cleveland.oh.us; RSwitalski@city.cleveland.oh.us; MSpronz@city.cleveland.oh.us; FCollier@city.cleveland.oh.us; Marinucci, Angela <Angela.Marinucci@aecom.com>; DBrown@city.cleveland.oh.us
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From: Lydia Ottaviano <lydiadottaviano@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, August 20, 2020 4:54 PM
To: Mayorsactioncenter@city.cleveland.oh.us; RSwitalski@city.cleveland.oh.us; MSpronz@city.cleveland.oh.us; FCollier@city.cleveland.oh.us; Marinucci, Angela <Angela.Marinucci@aecom.com>; DBrown@city.cleveland.oh.us
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Sent: Thursday, August 20, 2020 3:39 PM
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Concerned Citizen

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Jordan Abbott

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From: B Spilk <britspilk@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, August 20, 2020 2:23 PM
To: Marinucci, Angela <Angela.Marinucci@aecom.com>; DBrown@city.cleveland.oh.us; FCollier@city.cleveland.oh.us; MSpronz@city.cleveland.oh.us; Mayorsactioncenter@city.cleveland.oh.us; RSwitalski@city.cleveland.oh.us
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Thank you,
Brittney S.

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From: Emily Blaser <emilyblaser@msn.com>
Sent: Thursday, August 20, 2020 2:22 PM
To: Marinucci, Angela <Angela.Marinucci@aecom.com>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Willow Avenue Lift Bridge

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From: Saurwein, Adam N. <ASaurwein@beneschlaw.com>
Sent: Thursday, August 20, 2020 2:00 PM
To: Mayorsactioncenter@city.cleveland.oh.us; RSwitalski@city.cleveland.oh.us; MSpronz@city.cleveland.oh.us; FCollier@city.cleveland.oh.us; Marinucci, Angela <Angela.Marinucci@aecom.com>; DBrown@city.cleveland.oh.us
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Subject: FW: [EXTERNAL] Fairness

From: Deborah Webb <webbdeb123@yahoo.com>
Sent: Thursday, August 20, 2020 1:43 PM
To: Mayorsactioncenter@city.cleveland.oh.us; RSwitalski@city.cleveland.oh.us; MSpronz@city.cleveland.oh.us; FCollier@city.cleveland.oh.us; Marinucci, Angela <Angela.Marinucci@aecom.com>; DBrown@city.cleveland.oh.us
Cc: Kerry McCormack <kmccormack@clevelandcitycouncil.org>
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Debbie Webb

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From: Doug Perkowski <doug@clv-lofts.com>
Sent: Thursday, August 20, 2020 1:42 PM
To: Mayorsactioncenter@city.cleveland.oh.us
Cc: MSpronz@city.cleveland.oh.us; FCollier@city.cleveland.oh.us; Marinucci, Angela <Angela.Marinucci@aecom.com>; DBrown@city.cleveland.oh.us; RSwitalski@city.cleveland.oh.us
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Doug Perkowski
1900 West 25th
Cleveland, OH 44113

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From: Bridget McDevitt <bridget.mcdevitt@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, August 20, 2020 1:39 PM
To: Mayorsactioncenter@city.cleveland.oh.us; RSwitalski@city.cleveland.oh.us; MSpronz@city.cleveland.oh.us; FCollier@city.cleveland.oh.us; Marinucci, Angela <Angela.Marinucci@aecom.com>; DBrown@city.cleveland.oh.us
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Concerned Citizen Bridget McDevitt, resident of Ohio City

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From: Maria Sharp <mariacsharp@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, August 20, 2020 1:37 PM
To: Mayorsactioncenter@city.cleveland.oh.us; RSwitalski@city.cleveland.oh.us; MSpronz@city.cleveland.oh.us; FCollier@city.cleveland.oh.us; Marinucci, Angela <Angela.Marinucci@aeacom.com>; DBrown@city.cleveland.oh.us
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Sent: Thursday, August 20, 2020 1:29 PM
To: Mayorsactioncenter@city.cleveland.oh.us; RSwitalski@city.cleveland.oh.us; MSpronz@city.cleveland.oh.us; FCollier@city.cleveland.oh.us; Marinucci, Angela <Angela.Marinucci@aecom.com>; DBrown@city.cleveland.oh.us
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From: Alex Harris <p.alexharris@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, August 20, 2020 1:24 PM
To: Marinucci, Angela <Angela.Marinucci@aecom.com>; DBrown@city.cleveland.oh.us; FCollier@city.cleveland.oh.us; MSpronz@city.cleveland.oh.us; Mayorsactioncenter@city.cleveland.oh.us; RSwitalski@city.cleveland.oh.us
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Sent: Thursday, August 20, 2020 12:54 PM
To: Mayorsactioncenter@city.cleveland.oh.us; RSwitalski@city.cleveland.oh.us; MSpronz@city.cleveland.oh.us; FCollier@city.cleveland.oh.us; Marinucci, Angela <Angela.Marinucci@aeacom.com>; DBrown@city.cleveland.oh.us
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Linda Stekelenburg
1951 W 26th St
Cleveland, OH 44113

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From: LA Phares <laphares@yahoo.com>
Sent: Thursday, August 20, 2020 12:53 PM
To: Mayorsactioncenter@city.cleveland.oh.us; RSwitalski@city.cleveland.oh.us; MSpronz@city.cleveland.oh.us; FCollier@city.cleveland.oh.us; Marinucci, Angela <Angela.Marinucci@aecom.com>; DBrown@city.cleveland.oh.us
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Concerned Citizen

Lynn Phares
2192 W 38th Street
Cleveland OH 44113

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From: Erika McLaughlin <eamclaughlin9@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, August 24, 2020 12:40 PM
To: Mayorsactioncenter@city.cleveland.oh.us; RSwitalski@city.cleveland.oh.us; MSpronz@city.cleveland.oh.us; FCollier@city.cleveland.oh.us; Marinucci, Angela <Angela.Marinucci@aecom.com>; Darnell Brown <DBrown@city.cleveland.oh.us>
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Erika McLaughlin & Tom Gill
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Cleveland 44102

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From: John Terwoord <john.terwoord@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, August 24, 2020 6:14 PM
To: Mayorsactioncenter@city.cleveland.oh.us; RSwitalski@city.cleveland.oh.us; MSpronz@city.cleveland.oh.us; FCollier@city.cleveland.oh.us; Marinucci, Angela <Angela.Marinucci@aecom.com>; DBrown@city.cleveland.oh.us
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Sent: Monday, August 24, 2020 7:35 PM
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Thank you for your time and for reconsidering this chance moment for change,

Mollie Hambro
6404 Bridge Avenue
Cleveland 44102

Subject: FW: [EXTERNAL] 2.5 Minutes to Fight Systemic Racism

From: Nolan Andersky <nolan.andersky@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, August 24, 2020 9:53 PM
To: Mayorsactioncenter@city.cleveland.oh.us; RSwitalski@city.cleveland.oh.us; MSpronz@city.cleveland.oh.us; FCollier@city.cleveland.oh.us; Marinucci, Angela <Angela.Marinucci@aecom.com>; DBrown@city.cleveland.oh.us
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Concerned Citizen

Subject: FW: [EXTERNAL] Opportunity to Address Systemic Racism in Ohio City

From: Rebekah Howland <rhowland2015@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, August 25, 2020 9:09 AM
To: Mayorsactioncenter@city.cleveland.oh.us; RSwitalski@city.cleveland.oh.us; MSpronz@city.cleveland.oh.us; FCollier@city.cleveland.oh.us; Marinucci, Angela <Angela.Marinucci@aecom.com>; DBrown@city.cleveland.oh.us
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Opportunity to Address Systemic Racism in Ohio City

August 25, 2020

Dear Mayor Jackson,

I have recently learned that critical decisions are being made about the future of the Willow Avenue Lift Bridge without engaging our City Council representatives, local residents, community development organizations, and other interested stakeholders. As a resident of the Ohio City neighborhood, this concerns me greatly.

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Rebekah Howland
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Cleveland, OH

Subject: FW: [EXTERNAL] 2.5 Minutes to Fight Systemic Racism

From: Andrea Manney <manneyan@umich.edu>
Sent: Tuesday, August 25, 2020 9:17 AM
To: Mayorsactioncenter@city.cleveland.oh.us; RSwitalski@city.cleveland.oh.us; MSpronz@city.cleveland.oh.us; FCollier@city.cleveland.oh.us; Marinucci, Angela <Angela.Marinucci@aecom.com>; DBrown@city.cleveland.oh.us
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Concerned Citizen
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Andrea Manney

Subject: FW: [EXTERNAL] Willow Avenue Lift Bridge

From: Randy Hammons <rhammons@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, August 25, 2020 9:40 AM
To: Mayorsactioncenter@city.cleveland.oh.us; RSwitalski@city.cleveland.oh.us; MSpronz@city.cleveland.oh.us; FCollier@city.cleveland.oh.us; Marinucci, Angela <Angela.Marinucci@aeom.com>; DBrown@city.cleveland.oh.us
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Concerned Citizen

Randy Hammons
User Experience Engineer



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Subject: FW: [EXTERNAL] Willow Lift Bridge

From: Kevin Cronin <kevin.cronin.ohio@gmail.com>

Sent: Tuesday, August 25, 2020 10:03 AM

To: Mayorsactioncenter@city.cleveland.oh.us; RSwitalski@city.cleveland.oh.us; MSpronz@city.cleveland.oh.us; Freddy Collier <FCollier@city.cleveland.oh.us>; Marinucci, Angela <Angela.Marinucci@aecom.com>; DBrown@city.cleveland.oh.us

Subject: [EXTERNAL] Willow Lift Bridge

Dear Mayor Jackson:

I have learned that critical decisions are being made about the future of the Willow Avenue Lift Bridge without engaging local residents, community development organizations, and other interested stakeholders. This is a major project of critical local interest and should follow well-established standards for public involvement to ensure a fair process. I encourage a process that leads to a clean, environmentally strong, healthy alternative for the City and nearby residents.

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Cleveland Council has accurately called racism a public health crisis. The replacement of the Willow Avenue Lift Bridge should reflect that priority. It is a once in a generation opportunity to address systemic racism as it affects the health, quality of life, and safety of Cleveland's residents in public housing communities. To not take advantage of the opportunity to address and alleviate this environmental injustice is unacceptable and counter-intuitive to the public health policy. Any possible solution should include an intensive community engagement process, and the City should do everything possible to limit the truck traffic through residential areas.

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Thank you for your time and interest in developing a clean and healthy solution.

Kevin Cronin, Attorney at Law

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Subject: FW: [EXTERNAL] Willow Bridge Plan

From: Joseph Duffy <joe.mcduffy@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, August 25, 2020 10:14 AM
To: Mayorsactioncenter@city.cleveland.oh.us; RSwitalski@city.cleveland.oh.us; MSpronz@city.cleveland.oh.us; FCollier@city.cleveland.oh.us; Marinucci, Angela <Angela.Marinucci@aecom.com>; DBrown@city.cleveland.oh.us
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Joe Duffy
Cleveland Resident

Subject: FW: [EXTERNAL] 2.5 Minutes to Fight Systemic Racism

From: Nathan <nathanu10@yahoo.com>
Sent: Tuesday, August 25, 2020 10:44 AM
To: Mayorsactioncenter@city.cleveland.oh.us; RSwitalski@city.cleveland.oh.us; MSpronz@city.cleveland.oh.us; FCollier@city.cleveland.oh.us; Marinucci, Angela <Angela.Marinucci@aecom.com>; DBrown@city.cleveland.oh.us
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Concerned Citizen,
Nathan Ulman

Subject: FW: [EXTERNAL] Willow Street Bridge: Public Process request

From: Dean Van Farowe <dvanfarowe@yahoo.com>
Sent: Tuesday, August 25, 2020 2:43 PM
To: Mayorsactioncenter@city.cleveland.oh.us; RSwitalski@city.cleveland.oh.us; MSpronz@city.cleveland.oh.us; FCollier@city.cleveland.oh.us; Marinucci, Angela <Angela.Marinucci@aecom.com>; DBrown@city.cleveland.oh.us
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*Rev. Dean Van Farowe
Calvary Reformed Church
1918 W. 65th Street
Cleveland, OH 44102*

Subject: FW: [EXTERNAL] 2.5 Minutes to Fight Systemic Racism

From: Kaela Geschke <ksgeschke@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, August 25, 2020 4:12 PM
To: Mayorsactioncenter@city.cleveland.oh.us; RSwitalski@city.cleveland.oh.us; MSpronz@city.cleveland.oh.us; To: Collier, Freddy <FCollier@city.cleveland.oh.us>; Marinucci, Angela <Angela.Marinucci@aecom.com>; DBrown@city.cleveland.oh.us; mzone@clevelandcitycouncil.org
Subject: [EXTERNAL] 2.5 Minutes to Fight Systemic Racism

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Thank you,
Kaela Geschke
216-287-4535

Subject: FW: [EXTERNAL] 2.5 Minutes to Fight Systemic Racism

From: Hanna Wilde <wilde.hanna@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, August 25, 2020 4:37 PM
To: Marinucci, Angela <Angela.Marinucci@aecom.com>; DBrown@city.cleveland.oh.us; FCollier@city.cleveland.oh.us; MSpronz@city.cleveland.oh.us; Mayorsactioncenter@city.cleveland.oh.us; RSwitalski@city.cleveland.oh.us
Subject: [EXTERNAL] 2.5 Minutes to Fight Systemic Racism

August 19, 2020
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Concerned Citizen

Subject: FW: [EXTERNAL] Willow Ave Lift Bridge

From: nate@citychurchcle.com <nate@citychurchcle.com>
Sent: Tuesday, August 25, 2020 5:16 PM
To: Mayorsactioncenter@city.cleveland.oh.us; RSwitalski@city.cleveland.oh.us; MSpronz@city.cleveland.oh.us; FCollier@city.cleveland.oh.us; Marinucci, Angela <Angela.Marinucci@aecom.com>; DBrown@city.cleveland.oh.us
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Nate Friedrichsen
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Pastor
[City Church](#)
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Subject: FW: [EXTERNAL] Willow Avenue Bridge - 2.5 Minutes to Fight Systemic Racism

From: Alayna Klco <amk185@case.edu>
Sent: Tuesday, August 25, 2020 5:35 PM
To: Mayorsactioncenter@city.cleveland.oh.us; RSwitalski@city.cleveland.oh.us; MSpronz@city.cleveland.oh.us; FCollier@city.cleveland.oh.us; Marinucci, Angela <Angela.Marinucci@aecom.com>; DBrown@city.cleveland.oh.us
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Willow Avenue Bridge - 2.5 Minutes to Fight Systemic Racism

Dear Mayor Jackson,

Our city's strongest asset is the people who live here. The many residents who make up Cleveland's neighborhoods each have unique stories, and their voices must be heard. For an equitable and sustainable future, the groups who will be most impacted by neighborhood initiatives must be represented in the decision making process.

Critical decisions are being made about the future of the Willow Avenue Lift Bridge without engaging the people most directly impacted - local residents, community development organizations, and other stakeholders. This is unacceptable!

Lakeview Estates has been home to generations of Clevelanders who have suffered environmental injustices and the effects of decisions rooted in structural racism. Large freeways have been built, cutting off Lakeview to the rest of the neighborhood, and decades of industrial truck traffic have contributed to environmental and health problems. One of the major contributors of truck traffic through Lakeview Estates has been the Willow Avenue Lift Bridge, which currently needs significant repair or a complete replacement. Now is the time for change.

This is a once in a generation opportunity to address systemic racism as it affects the health, quality of life, and safety of Cleveland’s residents in public housing communities. Do not throw it away! First and foremost, any solution should be a process of rigorous communication with the Lakeview Estates community and Ohio City neighborhood.

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Sincerely,

Alayna Klco
Ohio City Resident

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Subject: FW: [EXTERNAL] 2.5 Minutes to Fight Systemic Racism

From: Lindsay Parker <thekillustrator@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, August 26, 2020 9:09 AM
To: Mayorsactioncenter@city.cleveland.oh.us
Cc: RSwitalski@city.cleveland.oh.us; MSpronz@city.cleveland.oh.us; FCollier@city.cleveland.oh.us; Marinucci, Angela <Angela.Marinucci@aecom.com>; DBrown@city.cleveland.oh.us
Subject: [EXTERNAL] 2.5 Minutes to Fight Systemic Racism

August 26, 2020

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Lindsay Parker
Concerned Citizen

Subject: FW: Community Engagement Needed re: Willow Avenue Lift Bridge

From: Michael J. Rastatter Jr. <michaelrastatterjr@howardhanna.com>
Sent: Wednesday, August 26, 2020 10:45:19 AM
To: Mayorsactioncenter@city.cleveland.oh.us <Mayorsactioncenter@city.cleveland.oh.us>; RSwitalski@city.cleveland.oh.us <RSwitalski@city.cleveland.oh.us>; MSpronz@city.cleveland.oh.us <MSpronz@city.cleveland.oh.us>; FCollier@city.cleveland.oh.us <FCollier@city.cleveland.oh.us>; Marinucci, Angela <Angela.Marinucci@aecom.com>; DBrown@city.cleveland.oh.us <DBrown@city.cleveland.oh.us>
Cc: Kerry McCormack (kmccormack@clevelandcitycouncil.org) <kmccormack@clevelandcitycouncil.org>; mzone@clevelandcitycouncil.org <mzone@clevelandcitycouncil.org>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Community Engagement Needed re: Willow Avenue Lift Bridge

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Michael Rastatter
216.258.4273



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Sent: Wednesday, August 26, 2020 1:38 PM
To: Mayorsactioncenter@city.cleveland.oh.us; RSwitalski@city.cleveland.oh.us; MSpronz@city.cleveland.oh.us; FCollier@city.cleveland.oh.us; Marinucci, Angela <Angela.Marinucci@aecom.com>; DBrown@city.cleveland.oh.us
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Jonathan Welle
216.3157597

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Concerned Citizen and dutiful voter,
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From: Nicole Boyd <nmboyd6@gmail.com>
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To: Mayorsactioncenter@city.cleveland.oh.us; RSwitalski@city.cleveland.oh.us; MSpronz@city.cleveland.oh.us; FCollier@city.cleveland.oh.us; Marinucci, Angela <Angela.Marinucci@aeom.com>; DBrown@city.cleveland.oh.us
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Hello --

Following up here because this is still continuing to not be addressed by anyone from the Mayor's office.

Why are decisions being made without the input of the communities they impact? Why does this administration continue to make decisions in a shady and nontransparent way? Why does this administration continue to make decisions that go directly against what the community wants?

After the show of "gathering" community input at one single meeting in November, the way the community finds out that you have decided the health & safety of residents at Lakeview Estates isn't a priority (which is really what your decision about removing the option to redirect truck traffic away from Lakeview Estates means) is through a footnote in an 8 PM email not properly displaying the contents/subject of the said email? Yes, this could fall under the category of "safety," but it surely has nothing to do with "Coronavirus & Safety."

Why try to hide this decision? While the Councilmembers or Ohio City Inc., aren't willing to speculate why I certainly am -- you obviously know that it would create a stir that you have decided to put dollars, traffic stats, and the wants of corporations before the health of residents of Lakeview Estates. It is obvious those that approved that email wanted to try to sneak this one in to bypass thousands of residents who either live at Lakeview Estates/the surrounding areas or are advocates of public health or racial equity. It's sickening to me that this administration is seemingly willing to bypass solutions that could alleviate public, government wrongdoing to the residents of Lakeview Estates. WHY? This decision directly & negatively impacts those who are already negatively impacted in other ways and will continue to repeat the decade long pattern of wrongdoing to this group of city residents.

Your statements fail to mention and take into account the real and physical well-being cost for the residents living at Lakeview Estates. What is the cost of being treated for and living with a respiratory disease caused by the poor air quality in their neighborhood? (Spoiler: it's not cheap for individuals and creates yet another financial barrier and is a problem across our segregated city.) What is the mental and physical cost of living on/near a road that has had thousands of trucks and exhaust from trucks rumbling past for decades?

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Nicole Boyd
1854 W 50th

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From: Joshua Goran <joshuagoran@gmail.com>
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Joshua Goran
(330) 474-9515

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From: Elizabeth Lehman <libslehman@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, August 27, 2020 8:48 AM
To: Mayorsactioncenter@city.cleveland.oh.us; RSwitalski@city.cleveland.oh.us; MSpronz@city.cleveland.oh.us; FCollier@city.cleveland.oh.us; Marinucci, Angela <Angela.Marinucci@aecom.com>; DBrown@city.cleveland.oh.us
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Elizabeth Lehamn

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Cc: Kerry McCormack <kmccormack@clevelandcitycouncil.org>; Matthew Zone <mzone@clevelandcitycouncil.org>; Jacob VanSickle <jacob@bikecleveland.org>
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Thank you for your consideration of my opinion.

Warm regards,
Patrick Shepherd
2860 Detroit Ave #306; Cleveland, OH 44113
216.647.7437

Sent from my iPad

Subject: FW: [EXTERNAL] 2.5 Minutes to Fight Systemic Racism- Willow Bridge Project

From: Jessica Jalowiec <jalowiec.jessica@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, August 27, 2020 10:41 AM
To: Mayorsactioncenter@city.cleveland.oh.us
Cc: FCollier@city.cleveland.oh.us; Marinucci, Angela <Angela.Marinucci@aecom.com>; DBrown@city.cleveland.oh.us; RSwitalski@city.cleveland.oh.us; MSpronz@city.cleveland.oh.us
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Concerned Citizen,

Jessica Jalowiec
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Black Lives Matter

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Resident, City of Cleveland Ward 3

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As a fairly recent new neighbor in Ohio City, I value the diversity of the area, and would like to see it become more fully integrated and inclusive. All voices should be heard. This will only make for a richer, more sustainable, functional, interesting and liveable community and will be of long-term benefit to Cleveland. I fully encourage and support the inclusion of ALL voices, and especially those in marginalized communities, in the decision-making process. I firmly believe that prosperity must be for all, or it is for no one.

JULIA E. STEIGERWALD, ARCHITECT
4302 Clinton Ave., Cleveland, Ohio 44113
614-806-4371

Subject: FW: [EXTERNAL] Willow Avenue Lift Bridge and the lack of community engagement in the process
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Sent from my iPhone

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Sent: Friday, August 28, 2020 4:49 PM
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From: Paul Pleiss <paulpleiss@gmail.com>
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From: Varun Gopinath <vgopinath@neomed.edu>
Sent: Friday, August 28, 2020 6:48 PM
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From: Bethany Lewis <brlewis92@gmail.com>
Sent: Saturday, August 29, 2020 12:48 PM
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The Ohio State University '14
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Sent: Sunday, August 30, 2020 4:19 PM
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Sent: Monday, August 31, 2020 6:02 PM
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Karen Desotell
3704 Clinton Avenue

Subject: FW: [EXTERNAL] 2.5 Minutes to Fight Systemic Racism

From: Julie Idoine <julie.idoine@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, September 1, 2020 8:18 AM
To: Mayorsactioncenter@city.cleveland.oh.us; RSwitalski@city.cleveland.oh.us; MSpronz@city.cleveland.oh.us; FCollier@city.cleveland.oh.us; Marinucci, Angela <Angela.Marinucci@aecom.com>; DBrown@city.cleveland.oh.us
Subject: [EXTERNAL] 2.5 Minutes to Fight Systemic Racism

August 19, 2020

Dear Mayor Jackson,

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Concerned Citizen

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Julie Idoine-Fries, MHA
Julie.Idoine@gmail.com
c: 336-480-7581

Subject:

FW: [EXTERNAL] Willow Avenue Bridge

From: Mary Hurley <marythurley@icloud.com>

Sent: Wednesday, September 2, 2020 3:42 PM

To: Mayors action Center <mayorsactioncenter@city.cleveland.oh.us>; R Switalski <rswitalski@city.cleveland.oh.us>; M Spronz <MSpronz@city.cleveland.oh.us>; F Collier <fcollier@city.cleveland.oh.us>; Marinucci, Angela <Angela.Marinucci@aecom.com>; D Brown <DBrown@city.cleveland.oh.us>

Cc: Tom McNair <TMcNair@ohiocity.org>; Kerry McCormack <kmccormack@clevelandcitycouncil.org>

Subject: [EXTERNAL] Willow Avenue Bridge

September 2, 2020

Dear Mayor Jackson,

I have just become aware that critical decisions are being made about the future of the Willow Avenue Lift Bridge without engaging our City Council representatives, local residents, community development organizations, and other interested stakeholders. This bridge borders Lakeview Estates in Cleveland's Ohio City neighborhood.

Lakeview residents have for too long been unfairly subjected to environmental injustices and decisions rooted in structural racism. As a long time neighborhood resident and former outreach worker at Lakeview Estates and Lakeview Tower, I am very aware of the decades of environmental and health problems for Lakeview residents caused to a large extent by the constant truck traffic through Lakeview to cross the Willow Avenue Lift Bridge.

That bridge currently needs significant repair or a complete replacement. Its replacement is a once in a generation opportunity to address systemic racism as it affects the health, quality of life, and safety of Cleveland's residents in public housing communities. To not take advantage of the opportunity to address and alleviate this environmental injustice is unacceptable and counter-intuitive to the Cleveland City Council's recent resolution declaring racism a public health crisis. Any possible solution should include an intensive community engagement process, and the City should do everything possible to limit the truck traffic through that residential areas.

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Sincerely,

Sister Mary Hurley, HM

3207 Franklin Blvd.

Cleveland, OH 44113

CC: TomMcNair, Ohio City Inc

Kerry McCormack, Cleveland City Council

Subject: FW: Whiskey Island
Attachments: Jackson Administration throttles public input over Willow Avenue Bridge replacement.docx

From: Burns, Jim <jim.burns@aecom.com>
Sent: Thursday, September 3, 2020 9:36 AM
To: Marinucci, Angela <Angela.Marinucci@aecom.com>; Woodring, Mike <mike.woodring@aecom.com>
Subject: Whiskey Island

Angie and Mike:

Just saw this. At first it wouldn't let me see the article because I am not a subscriber, but then I tried again. I copied and pasted into Word to preserve it.

Jim

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Subject: FW: [EXTERNAL] 2.5 Minutes to Fight Systemic Racism

From: Brianna Zgodinski <bzgodinski@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, September 4, 2020 10:46 AM
To: Mayorsactioncenter@city.cleveland.oh.us; RSwitalski@city.cleveland.oh.us; MSpronz@city.cleveland.oh.us; FCollier@city.cleveland.oh.us; Marinucci, Angela <Angela.Marinucci@aecom.com>; DBrown@city.cleveland.oh.us
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Subject: FW: [EXTERNAL] Fight Systemic Racism

From: Grace Heffernan <heffernangs@gmail.com>

Sent: Friday, September 4, 2020 2:27 PM

To: Mayorsactioncenter@city.cleveland.oh.us; RSwitalski@city.cleveland.oh.us; MSpronz@city.cleveland.oh.us; FCollier@city.cleveland.oh.us; Marinucci, Angela <Angela.Marinucci@aecom.com>; DBrown@city.cleveland.oh.us

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Grace Heffernan

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Grace Heffernan
330.801.1182|heffernangs@gmail.com

Subject: FW: [EXTERNAL] 2.5 Minutes to Fight Systemic Racism

From: Emily Tavag <horacek.emily@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, September 9, 2020 8:58 PM
To: Mayorsactioncenter@city.cleveland.oh.us; RSwitalski@city.cleveland.oh.us; MSpronz@city.cleveland.oh.us; FCollier@city.cleveland.oh.us; Marinucci, Angela <Angela.Marinucci@aecom.com>; DBrown@city.cleveland.oh.us
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Concerned Citizen,

Emily Tavag

Subject: FW: [EXTERNAL] 2.5 Minutes to Fight Systemic Racism

From: Anna Brandt <annab347@gmail.com>

Sent: Sunday, September 13, 2020 9:10 PM

To: Mayorsactioncenter@city.cleveland.oh.us; RSwitalski@city.cleveland.oh.us; MSpronz@city.cleveland.oh.us; FCollier@city.cleveland.oh.us; Marinucci, Angela <Angela.Marinucci@aecom.com>; DBrown@city.cleveland.oh.us

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Concerned Citizen,
Anna Brandt
44102 zip code

Subject: FW: [EXTERNAL] 2.5 Minutes to Fight Systemic Racism

From: David Elliott <david.elliott34@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, September 24, 2020 5:45 PM
To: Mayorsactioncenter@city.cleveland.oh.us; RSwitalski@city.cleveland.oh.us; MSpronz@city.cleveland.oh.us; FCollier@city.cleveland.oh.us; Marinucci, Angela <Angela.Marinucci@aecom.com>; DBrown@city.cleveland.oh.us
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Subject: FW: [EXTERNAL] Willow Ave Lift Bridge

From: Sara Steinle <slsteinle@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, September 27, 2020 4:25 PM
To: Mayorsactioncenter@city.cleveland.oh.us; RSwitalski@city.cleveland.oh.us; MSpronz@city.cleveland.oh.us; FCollier@city.cleveland.oh.us; Marinucci, Angela <Angela.Marinucci@aecom.com>; DBrown@city.cleveland.oh.us
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Concerned Citizen,

Sara

Subject: FW: [EXTERNAL] Re: Willow Avenue Lift Bridge

From: Katie Keane <katiekeaneoh@yahoo.com>

Sent: Sunday, October 11, 2020 8:39 PM

To: Mayorsactioncenter@city.cleveland.oh.us; RSwitalski@city.cleveland.oh.us; MSpronz@city.cleveland.oh.us; FCollier@city.cleveland.oh.us; Marinucci, Angela <Angela.Marinucci@aecom.com>; DBrown@city.cleveland.oh.us

Cc: kmccormack@clevelandcitycouncil.org; tmcnair@ohiocity.org

Subject: [EXTERNAL] Re: Willow Avenue Lift Bridge

I never heard back from any one on this email. Can someone please respond and at least let me know it was received? I would also welcome an update on the Willow Avenue Lift Bridge plan.

Katie

On Friday, August 21, 2020, 10:56:28 AM EDT, Katie Keane <katiekeaneoh@yahoo.com> wrote:

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As a resident in the Stonebridge Plaza building, I too hear and are impacted daily by these trucks. Walking in my neighborhood means shielding my eyes from gravel and dust as the trucks go by CONSTANTLY. Driving through the neighborhood you are constantly dodging large noisy filthy trucks. The noise when I am enjoying fresh air from my condo is also distracting.

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Katie Keane
1237 Washington Avenue resident

AndererArmstrong, Claire

Subject: FW: Willow Bridge Comments from Timothy Lewis

From: Vargas, Eva D. <EVargas@city.cleveland.oh.us>

Sent: Tuesday, November 10, 2020 3:53 PM

To: Switalski, Richard <RSwitalski@city.cleveland.oh.us>

Cc: Boyer, Thomas <tboyer@city.cleveland.oh.us>; Marinucci, Angela <Angela.Marinucci@aecom.com>

Subject: [EXTERNAL] Willow Bridge Comments from Timothy Lewis

Hi Rick,

I received a phone message on Friday 11/6 from Timothy Lewis (330-475-3946) about the Willow Lift Bridge. He has heard about the project through the news and would like to provide some helpful ideas for consideration (I didn't ask how was directed to my phone number). I returned his call this morning and we spoke at length about his ideas.

He asked whether trucks are loaded directly from boats in the channel. If a contraption were built to contain the dust while the boats are unloading onto the trucks, this might help control the dust that is blown into the neighborhoods. I responded that the businesses are responsible for air quality per their permit with Ohio EPA, and I thought they would be interested in new technology that would assist them. I also commented that most observers describe the dust as coming from the stockpiles, and not from the transfer operations or the trucks themselves.

He also offered several ideas for improvements along the lakeshore and along the river. I directed him to the website for the ongoing Vision for the Valley: <https://visionforthevalleycycle.com/>.

There is a section there for public input, including a survey and a place to leave ideas.

I told him that any specific comments on the Willow Lift Bridge could be directed to your attention (I gave him your email address), and everything else should go to the Vision for the Valley team.

Regards,

Eva

Subject: FW: Cleveland - South Whiskey Island Access Feasibility Study Update

From: Matthew Zone <mzone@clevelandcitycouncil.org>
Sent: Tuesday, August 4, 2020 4:35 PM
To: Kerry McCormack <kmccormack@clevelandcitycouncil.org>
Cc: Marinucci, Angela <Angela.Marinucci@aecom.com>; Darnell Brown <DBrown@city.cleveland.oh.us>; Matthew Spronz <mspronz@city.cleveland.oh.us>; Woodring, Mike <mike.woodring@aecom.com>; Rick Switalski <rswitalski@city.cleveland.oh.us>; Freddy Collier <FCollier@city.cleveland.oh.us>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Re: Cleveland - South Whiskey Island Access Feasibility Study Update

All:

I have not seen a response to Councilman McCormick’s original email from July 30th.

There hasn’t been any engagement from the Administration with the impacted members of council following our November 12, 2019 public meeting, which only occurred because of our (McCormack & Zone) request.

This infrastructure investment is not only about vehicular traffic, it also is an environmental justice issue that needs to be addressed by our city. We can’t lose this moment. This immediate location has elevated levels of high pediatric asthma rates, as well as some of the poorest air quality in our city.

Furthermore, I am concerned that the consultants want all of their feedback by August 13, 2020, which doesn’t provide sufficient time to bring the appropriate stakeholders together.

It is troubling to receive this information in a press release. The Administration agreed back in November to share these findings with your legislative partners prior to being publicly released. That did not happen!

Therefore, I am requesting a meeting with those copied to discuss the alternatives, soon. Ideally, the meeting would be held before August 13th.

Chief Brown, Dir. Spronz, and Mr. Switalski, please advise of when you can pull this meeting together.

Matt Zone
216-664-4235

On Jul 30, 2020, at 1:42 PM, Kerry McCormack <kmccormack@clevelandcitycouncil.org> wrote:

Good afternoon,

Thank you for this email. I do not accept this conclusion. I, nor anyone that i know in my community was consulted about the removal of this option. Councilman Zone and I were specifically told that we would be involved when these decisions were being made and that did not happen.

While the speed and uninterrupted manner of vehicular travel of commuters seems to be what this was based off of, the health and safety needs of over hundreds of our residents in public housing seems to be completely ignored in this decision.

At this point, I cannot support any legislation or funding request for this project that may come to council.

Kerry

Kerry McCormack
Cleveland City Councilman, Ward 3
(216) 664-2691

On Jul 30, 2020, at 11:44 AM, Marinucci, Angela <Angela.Marinucci@aecom.com> wrote:

Dear Stakeholder:

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We request that any feedback on the updated information be provided by August 13, 2020.

Sincerely,

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<2020-jun19_whiskey-island-new-fixed-bridge-at-45th-fact-sheet_draft.pdf>

Subject: FW: Cleveland - South Whiskey Island Access Feasibility Study Update

From: Sara B. Maier <sbm@clevelandmetroparks.com>
Sent: Thursday, July 30, 2020 12:28 PM
To: Marinucci, Angela <Angela.Marinucci@aecom.com>
Cc: Woodring, Mike <mike.woodring@aecom.com>; Sean E. McDermott <sem1@clevelandmetroparks.com>; Kelly B. Coffman <kbc@clevelandmetroparks.com>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] RE: Cleveland - South Whiskey Island Access Feasibility Study Update

Angie,
Thank you for sending this. Do you have any additional information on milestones or dates when additional information about the project will be available?
Thanks,
Sara



Sara Byrnes Maier
Senior Strategic Park Planner
216.635.3289 (office)
216.319.2444 (cell)
clevelandmetroparks.com

From: Marinucci, Angela [<mailto:Angela.Marinucci@aecom.com>]
Sent: Thursday, July 30, 2020 11:43 AM
To: Marinucci, Angela <Angela.Marinucci@aecom.com>
Cc: Woodring, Mike <mike.woodring@aecom.com>
Subject: Cleveland - South Whiskey Island Access Feasibility Study Update

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Subject: FW: Cleveland - South Whiskey Island Access Feasibility Study Update

From: Stanifer, William B CIV <William.B.Stanifer@uscg.mil>
Sent: Monday, August 3, 2020 10:59 AM
To: Marinucci, Angela <Angela.Marinucci@aecom.com>
Cc: Woodring, Mike <mike.woodring@aecom.com>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] RE: Cleveland - South Whiskey Island Access Feasibility Study Update

Good Morning Angie,

Thanks for forwarding. The Coast Guard concurs with the information presented and we look forward to working with the remaining alternatives.

Blair Stanifer
Chief, Bridge Branch
Ninth Coast Guard District
(216) 902-6086
Fax: (216) 902-6088

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To: Richard J. Switalski, P.E., Administration Bureau Manager
Division of Engineering & Construction

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Subject: **South Whiskey Island Access Study
Recommendations to Address Public Concerns**

Numerous comments have been received about the South Whiskey Island Access Study, urging the city to look beyond the infrastructure needs:

"The replacement of the Willow Avenue Lift Bridge is a once in a generation opportunity to address systemic racism as it affects the health, quality of life, and safety of Cleveland's residents in public housing communities"

The study is an E&C initiative to recommend a replacement for the aging Willow Lift Bridge, and AECOM was hired in 2018 to conduct the study. While the study scope of work only covers the intended objective, the public concerns should be addressed for the project to be considered a beneficial improvement. Over the past few months, we have been examining three (3) main public concerns in more detail, reaching out to various city agencies for feedback and perspective.

The results are summarized below, followed by recommendations of improvements that could be implemented as part of the Willow Lift Bridge replacement project.

PUBLIC CONCERN #1: AIR QUALITY

Residents of Lakeview Terrace public housing and adjacent Ohio City point out that dust from material stockpiles located on both sides of the Old River Channel is a recurring irritant, coating outdoor windows, furniture, and cars, and seeping into residential units. In addition, some residents of Lakeview Tower report incidences of asthma.

We reached out to various agencies responsible for oversight and enforcement of air quality standards, including the Cleveland Division of Air Quality (CDAQ), the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency (Ohio EPA) and the Northeast Ohio Areawide Coordinating Agency (NOACA).

1. The Cleveland Division of Air Quality (CDAQ) is the air pollution control agency serving Cleveland and Cuyahoga County. CDAQ is contracted with the Ohio EPA to enforce state and local air pollution control regulations within its jurisdiction.
2. As the Ohio EPA delegated agency for Cuyahoga County, CDAQ is responsible for enforcement of violations at stationary sources of air pollution as well as other specific sources. CDAQ also responds to complaints about air quality and works with Ohio EPA on any enforcement of state regulations, and through Cleveland Law on any litigation of the City Air Code.
3. CDAQ Outreach Center was contacted by Ohio City in 2018 to attend a public meeting at Lakeview Terrace where public health was discussed. The meeting was attended by about 35 people, and concerns about air quality were centered on three main topics:
 - Vehicles causing drag out, spreading material along their travel path which dries on the streets and contributes to dust in the area
 - The cumulative effect of 3 large adjoining facilities with individual air quality permits
 - Truck traffic not following the designated routes and/or idling in the residential areas.
4. CDAQ investigated the complaints and acted on them. The businesses were contacted about reducing drag-out, and they hired a street-sweeper. A violation for record keeping was addressed. The issued air permits were reviewed for compliance.
5. Air permits are written for stationary sources and permits to install and operate (PTIO) are available on OhioEPA's [website](#). Stationary sources include certain types of equipment as well as stockpiles.
6. CDAQ air monitoring section operates a network of ambient (outdoor) air monitors that measure "criteria pollutants". The nearest air monitor station to Whiskey Island is located at East 14th & Orange. It is known as the "GT Craig NCore" station, designated as 39-035-0060, and part of the [Ohio EPA Air Monitoring Network Plan](#).
7. The network of monitoring sites collects air quality data in each of the Ohio metropolitan areas and in many rural areas. There are over 120 monitoring sites operating in Ohio. The Ohio air monitoring network meets, or in most cases exceeds, the applicable minimum network requirements established in 40 CFR Part 58.
8. The Ohio EPA air monitoring stations follow strict Quality Assurance/Quality Control measures: "A fundamental consideration for all air monitoring projects and sites is that the monitoring locations meet U.S. EPA's requirements as specified in 40 CFR Part 58, Appendices D & E and that the agencies are available to operate and maintain the sites and equipment, to provide sample analyses, and for data collection and reporting."
9. Until last year, there was a monitoring station closer to Whiskey Island, at Fire Station No.4, 3136 Lorain Avenue. It was shut down with approval from US EPA because its location did not allow for collection of sufficient relevant information.
10. Data from air quality monitors is sent to Ohio EPA for review and validation and published in annual reports which can be found [online](#). Real-time air quality data can be found at and downloaded from the US EPA website, under "[Air Quality Data Collected at Outdoor Monitors Across the US](#)".

11. US EPA uses six “criteria pollutants” as indicators of air quality and has established for each of them a maximum concentration above which adverse effects on humans may occur. The threshold concentrations are known as the National Ambient Air Quality Standards (NAAQS).
12. For the Whiskey Island Access Study, the most relevant criteria pollutant is for particulate matter, designated as PM_{2.5} and PM₁₀. Per [US EPA](#):

“PM stands for particulate matter (also called particle pollution): the term for a mixture of solid particles and liquid droplets found in the air. Some particles, such as dust, dirt, soot, or smoke, are large or dark enough to be seen with the naked eye. Others are so small they can only be detected using an electron microscope. Particle pollution includes:

PM₁₀: inhalable particles, with diameters that are generally 10 micrometers and smaller; and

PM_{2.5}: fine inhalable particles, with diameters that are generally 2.5 micrometers and smaller. How small is 2.5 micrometers? Think about a single hair from your head. The average human hair is about 70 micrometers in diameter – making it 30 times larger than the largest fine particle.”
13. Per the Centers for Disease Control ([CDC](#)):

“Breathing in particle pollution can be harmful to your health. Coarse (bigger) particles, called PM₁₀, can irritate your eyes, nose, and throat. Dust from roads, farms, dry riverbeds, construction sites, and mines are types of PM₁₀. Fine (smaller) particles, called PM_{2.5}, are more dangerous because they can get into the deep parts of your lungs — or even into your blood.” PM_{2.5} can be found in emissions from combustion of gasoline, oil, diesel fuel or wood.
14. Currently, the US-EPA has primary and secondary standards for PM_{2.5} (annual average standards with levels of 12.0 µg/m³ and 15.0 µg/m³, respectively; 24-hour standards with 98th percentile forms and levels of 35 µg/m³) and PM₁₀ (24-hour standards with one-expected exceedance forms and levels of 150 µg/m³).
15. The US-EPA designates Cuyahoga County as a nonattainment area for the PM_{2.5} standards, meaning that the area does not meet the national primary or secondary ambient air quality standard for a NAAQS.
16. NOACA is responsible for preparing and submitting the area’s State Implementation Plan (SIP) to US-EPA, outlining control strategies to reduce air pollution in nonattainment areas. NOACA forecasts daily levels of PM_{2.5}, issues advisories on days when ground-level ozone levels are projected to exceed health-based standards and encourages the community to take steps to reduce ozone precursor emissions.
17. NOACA performs conformity analyses for transportation projects to demonstrate that emissions resulting from planned transportation system improvements will not exceed an area’s emissions budgets. Transportation conformity determinations ensure that the transportation sector is contributing to an area’s progress toward meeting national air quality standards. NOACA’s latest [2018-2021 TIP Air Quality Conformity Analyses](#) is included in the Transportation Improvement Program, Appendix C.
18. NOACA’s modeling capabilities for particle pollution could provide PM_{2.5} forecasts for the Whiskey Island Access Study if the City provides data on truck traffic including

routes and volumes by vehicle type. NOACA's focus is on mobile emissions, and stationary pollution sources such as the stockpiles across from CMHA Lakeview Terrace would not be modeled. Additionally, the model cannot account for pollutant dispersal, which may be key to determine how the various alternatives might affect pollution exposure for nearby residents.

19. The Cleveland Department of Public Health, Office of Communicable Disease and Epidemiology, reports that for the period from 2012 to 2014, the highest number of asthma visits to the Emergency Room in the City of Cleveland were reported from zip code 44102 (9.8% or 1,411 out of 14,396 total visits). This zip code is for the area immediately west of Lakeview Terrace. Lakeview Terrace is in zip code 44113 where 791 were reported for the same period (5.5% of total visits). The share of the total population is 5% in zip code 44012 and 2% in zip code 44113.

PUBLIC CONCERN #2: TRUCK TRAFFIC VOLUME

Area residents are concerned with the noise and fumes generated by the numerous trucks that serve Ontario Stone, Cargill, and Silica Industries. These businesses are located on South Whiskey Island, and the only truck access is the Willow Lift Bridge. Residents of the adjoining Lakeview Terrace and Ohio City would prefer these businesses to relocate elsewhere, away from their prime lakefront location.

With the help of the Cleveland Department of Economic Development and information provided in interviews conducted by AECOM staff, we have explored how these businesses operate and whether suitable alternate sites are available in the City.

1. **CARGILL** extracts salt from mines 2,000 feet below the bottom of Lake Erie, covering an area 5 miles wide and 3 miles out from shore.
 - a. The main shaft access to the mines is on South Whiskey Island, where Cargill also processes bulk deicing salt and ships it to municipalities, government agencies and private commercial businesses.
 - b. They deliver their product by ship, rail, and truck in that order of preference. They rely on trucks to haul in most of the required supplies for their mining operations.
 - c. Ohio is the fifth largest producer of salt in the county and their Cleveland mine produces the most. There is no planned end for the mining operations since the salt deposits are known to extend to the Canadian border at a minimum.
 - d. Winter is peak season for Cargill trucking operations with 600 to 800 trucks per day. Outside of peak season, traffic is typically 100 to 200 trucks per day. They use third party trucking companies.
2. **ONTARIO STONE** owns property on both sides of the Willow Lift Bridge.
 - a. Established in 1960, Ontario Stone is Northeast Ohio's largest distributor of limestone products: aggregates--lightweight, sand & gravel, crushed stone.
 - b. They do not process or screen onsite. They offer 35 different products and both properties are used to prevent cross contamination of materials.

- c. They rely on ships and trucks to transport their products. The ships deliver the product to their sites, where it is stockpiled and then loaded onto trucks for delivery to customers.
 - d. Their peak trucking season is May to October, during the construction season, when their operation includes 40 to 50 trucks from the north property. The south property contains approximately 75% of their total stockpiled material.
 - e. Ships are active from April to December, with deliveries possible 24 hours a day and 7 days a week. They receive at least one delivery by ship per week and sometimes two.
3. **CANADIAN SILICA INDUSTRIES (CSI)**, formerly Sand Products, has been located on South Whiskey Island since the 1950s.
- a. This facility is focused on both fine and coarse foundry sand for mainly industrial use.
 - b. Sand is delivered to their site by ship, and they receive 10 to 17 vessels per year, each load of about 250,000 tons. The sand is unloaded by conveyor belt to their site, where it is dried and stored in silos.
 - c. The sand is delivered from their site by truck to their customers up to 170 miles away.
4. All three businesses rely on ships (Lake Erie freighters) for their operations, so they need waterside access as well as landside access.
5. None of the businesses on South Whiskey Island have reached out to the City's Department of Economic Development seeking relocation sites, but if they did, they could not be accommodated. Cargill needs to be at the mine shaft and cannot relocate. Ontario Stone and CSI rely on waterside access to receive ship deliveries and need on-site space for storage.
6. There are no comparable sites further upstream on the Cuyahoga River. Waterside access along the Cuyahoga River is only deep enough for lake freighters up to the ArcelorMittal plant.
7. The Scranton Peninsula currently has space for development but dedicating it to industrial use is not in the best long-term interest for the City.

PUBLIC CONCERN #3: TRUCK ROUTE ENFORCEMENT

Lakeview Terrace residents have observed trucks using residential streets instead of designated truck routes, blocking access and creating safety concerns.

We asked the City's Bureau of Traffic, Commercial Vehicle Enforcement, to provide information on enforcement activities and violations.

- 1. The areas at and near Lakeview Terrace (West 25th Street, Washington Avenue, Mulberry Avenue, Main Avenue and Flats West) are a continued target enforcement area for commercial vehicle violations.
- 2. High volume of truck traffic is normal in this west Flats area. Enforcement agents regularly patrol this area paying specific attention to the well posted truck restricted

section of West 25th Street between Washington and Mulberry Avenues through Lakeview Estates addressing violations with the issuance of citations and warnings given.

3. This area was the focus of commercial vehicle In-House complaints in 2020. In February and March of 2020 commercial vehicle complaint (IH 20-016) produced 10 commercial vehicle citations. In July and August of 2020 complaint (IH 20-042) for commercial vehicles was addressed in this area producing 12 citations. In December of 2020 three commercial vehicle citations were issued.
4. Officers are ready to address any parking, blocking, or "queueing" issues but have not recently witnessed any.
5. Enforcement officers continue to target the areas in and around Lakeview Estates to offer relief for residents and businesses from commercial vehicle violators of traffic laws.

DISCUSSION AND RECOMMENDATIONS

South Whiskey Island has been used industrially since the 1880s. Lakeview Terrace was constructed in the 1930s, one of three Cleveland housing projects that were the first to be authorized by the federal government. At the time, no measures were taken to protect its residents from adjacent industrial pollution.

Residential and industrial uses have co-existed along the Old River Channel for almost a century, but they are not compatible. The industrial pollutant of greatest concern is particulate matter (PM_{2.5}) from diesel-powered truck emissions that circulate in large numbers near residential streets. All three businesses on South Whiskey Island rely on this volume of trucking for their operations and the City does not have adequate replacement sites for these businesses elsewhere that can provide access by ship and truck. One of the businesses, Cargill, cannot relocate since the access mine shaft for their product is on South Whiskey Island and they rely on rail access as well as ship and truck.

Residential utilizations near Old River Channel are also unlikely to change and could increase as interest for waterside living along Lake Erie and the Cuyahoga River increases. The recently completed planning study on "Vision for the Valley" identifies the Old River Channel area through which the trucks circulate as an area of potential re-development with enhanced greenspace and activated plazas. In addition, CMHA is working on a master plan for Lakeview Terrace to guide future re-development.

However, other changes are on the way. According to the [Diesel Technology Forum](#): "Diesel engines will continue improving in the coming years, playing an important role in efforts to further reduce greenhouse gases (GHGs) and atmospheric pollutants... Since around 1990, modern diesel engines have reduced both particulate matter (PM) and oxides of nitrogen (NO_x), key contributors to smog, by about 98%... it would take 60 of today's clean diesel trucks to equal the emissions of one diesel truck sold in 1988." Diesel truck engines manufactured today are cleaner than ever before, but because diesel engines can operate for 30 years or more, millions of older, dirtier engines are still in use. EPA regulates the older diesel trucks while the newer, cleaner ones come into use.

Over the past three decades US EPA has worked to reduce harmful roadway-related emissions and their [Office of Transportation and Air Quality](#) conducts research on health impacts of near-roadway air pollution and mitigation strategies. For example, roadside

barriers such as sound walls, cut sections, and roadside vegetation can reduce traffic-related air pollutants immediately downwind of a roadway, and provide benefits beyond air quality by reducing noise, increasing carbon sequestration, and generally improving public health.

As the City of Cleveland moves forward with implementation of a replacement for the Willow Lift Bridge, it needs to do so with a plan that will mitigate the impact of industrial pollution on captive residents. The following recommendations are offered:

1. Conduct an Air Quality Study as part of the Willow Lift Bridge Replacement project to identify and quantify industrial pollutants emitted from mobile (trucks) and stationary (stockpiles) sources, analyze and model pollutant dispersal patterns, and recommend mitigation measures.
2. Include the design and construction of roadside barriers to improve near-road air quality along the truck route that provides access from the Shoreway to South Whiskey Island.
3. Reach out to agencies developing long-range planning documents, such as [Vision for the Valley](#) and the CMHA Masterplan for Lakeview Terrace, to coordinate land uses and expectations given the truck routes that support the businesses on South Whiskey Island.
4. Reach out to the trucking fleets that serve the active businesses and educate them about complying with the US EPA's enforcement policy for prohibitions against tampering with vehicle emission control systems and the sale/installation/use of aftermarket defeat devices (42 USC § 7522(a)(3), § 7547(d), and 40 CFR § 1068.101(b)(1)-(2)).

As the Whiskey Island Access project is designed and constructed, other city departments have committed to support the project. CDAQ, Division of Traffic Enforcement and the Department of Economic Development will continue their enforcement and outreach activities for the existing business operations and the residential neighborhoods.